

SHIP OWNERS' BLACKLIST UPHELD; U. S. JUDGE IGNORES HIGH COURT

San Francisco, July 14.—Federal Judge Kerrigan has legalized the blacklist maintained by Pacific Coast ship owners.

The ship owners call their blacklist a "marine service bureau." Wages and working conditions are arbitrarily fixed by the owners, and seamen must apply to the bureaus for employment. Only registered applicants

Judge Kerrigan admitted that the evidence submitted by the seamen "may show there are instances" where the blacklist has "worked an injustice," but the judge seems to think that seamen ought not to complain about "occasional injustice."

LABOR LAW UNDER FIRE
Phoenix, Ariz., July 14.—"Ambulance chasers" are urging repeal of the Arizona workmen's compensation law. Petitions are circulated throughout the state by "chasers" and their allies.

Injured Workers Are Fleeced By Tricky Insurance Agents

Washington, July 14.—Let-
ters to Frank Morrison, A. F. of
L. secretary, indicate that tricky
insurance adjusters annul com-
pensation laws in states that

One Middle West trade union-

ist declares that the average worker, be he organized or unorganized, has but the faintest idea of his rights. Under such conditions he can not cope with

the trained, shrewd adjuster for an insurance company. This unionist writes: "In Kansas the insurance company adjuster, to all intents and purposes, is the compensation commissioner and

the injured worker takes what the adjuster chooses to "give," or he must hire a lawyer and file suit in the dis-

the insurance companies and by compensation commissioners who neglect their duty.

BACK HALF HOLIDAY **SALES TAX AIDS RICH.**

BACK HALF HOLIDAY
FOR 500,000 WOMEN

Albany, N. Y., July 14.—Attorney General Ottinger has frustrated an attempt to nullify the women's Saturday half holiday in this State. More than 500,000 working women are

Employers were working these employees nine hours a day, five days in the week, and six hours on Saturday. The effect of the additional employ-

"There is no such thing as an 'authorized' regular nine-hour day for five days," said the attorney general. "It is authorized regular hours for

The authorized regular workday for women is eight hours and they can be worked nine hours a day regularly for five days only so that they may be given a four and one-half hour short day. If they are not to have the short day of four and one-half

"The law contemplates the protection of women workers against such long hours of employment as would impair their health.

"Its manifest design is to grant them the Saturday half-holiday, which is only possible under a four and one-half hour day on the last day of the week. I am confident that any abuses heretofore committed in violation of

the statute will be preemptorily curbed. Common decency demands that the law be observed in letter and intent."

WORKERS APPLAUDED

FOR WAGE-CUT STAND
New Bedford, Mass., July 14.—The 10 per cent wage cut that 28,000 textile workers are resisting will not solve the ills of this industry, de-

"Every city that has tried this cut finds it has solved nothing," said the clergyman. "Conditions today are no

better than before he cut. I feel certain that the people are not going back to work under the conditions demanded by the employers and I want the mill men of this city to realize what happens in the future will always be the same.

ANTI-TRUST ACT VOID

Santa Cruz, Cal., July 14.—The California anti-trust law has been de-

The decision was made in a civil action brought by a picture theater owner who charged several defendants joined in a conspiracy to prevent him from making films.

Defendants' attorneys claimed that the act does not permit due process of law, in that it fixes no standard of guilt and gives the right to complainant of either criminal or civil recovery.

WAGE CUT IN COKE FIELDS
Uniontown, Pa., July 14.—The H. C. Frick Coke Company, a non-union subsidiary of the steel trust, cut wages 11 per cent for all workers except pit coal diggers. The cut affects 35,000 men in Cassette and Westmoreland counties.

WORK PERIOD LIMIT
URGED FOR CHILDREN
New York, July 14.—The board directors of the National Association

It is expected most of the large independent operators in the Connellsville region will take similar action.

STEAMFITTERS GAIN

Detroit, Mich., July 14.—Steamfitters secured a union-shop agreement and improved working conditions.